



WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 12, 1910.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)
Washington, Jan. 12.

Insurgents and regulars are sharpening their knives for trouble at the republican caucus this evening, which has been called for the avowed purpose of confirming the selection of the new congressional committee named by the various state delegations. Just what form the trouble is to take no one seems to be able to guess. Some of the insurgents think the Cannonites will throw them out of the caucus; some of the Cannonites are quite willing to do the throwing; the members on both sides of the fence are suspicious of the "other fellows" and it will require but a very small match to set off a very big explosion. The caucus which is to be held later for the purpose of choosing the republican members of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee is expected to be a more acrimonious affair and some loud language may be heard. The insurgents will demand recognition; the regulars will try to appoint a committee of their own sympathizers, and unkind things will be said on both sides.

The regulars have capitulated to the insurgents in the House and have asked for an agreement on the House members of the Ballinger investigation committee, according to good authority today. A count of votes developed the fact that they could not win on this issue and they decided to compromise on the floor rather than suffer another defeat on the House. The insurgents take the attitude that they want only a fair committee and that they will not fight the regulars if they are assured that the committee will be all right. "The fight on the speaker is a pious incident," declared Mr. Lusk (rep. Va.), "and now all we want is to be assured that the right committee will be appointed." He refused to affirm or deny that the regulars agreed to confer on the members of the committee. It is understood that enough insurgents and regulars will stay away from the caucus to enable them to vote against the caucus selections, if they do not.

"After Pinchot—who?" is the burning question before President Taft, and Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture today, and the answer is by no means obvious. Mr. Wilson called at the White House today with Assistant Forester Potter, who has been temporarily placed in charge of the forestry service, and the forestry situation was talked over. Mr. Wilson gave up the task after a half hour's discussion and left Mr. Potter and the president to thresh out the vexing problem. The result of the conference was a decision to let all matters drift for a time, with Mr. Potter at the head of things, under close supervision of the secretary of agriculture and the president. Under the present plan no appointments will be made until the Ballinger-Pinchot imbroglio has simmered down.

Tongues were set wagging about the White House on the forestry situation with renewed interest this afternoon when Secretary Wilson introduced to the president Professor Henry S. Graves of the Yale Forestry School. It is believed that he may be appointed to one of the vacancies in the forestry service.

President Taft's recommendation as to the conservation of the national resources will go to Congress on Friday, as a part of the president's plan to quiet the struggling faction of the republican party in Congress. The view taken by the president is that it is absolutely necessary to make the legislators "get busy" in order that they may have less time for dickering. With this end in view he proposes to bustle along his legislative program, and get the committee of both Houses at work upon it. Along with the conservation message there are five conservation bills drawn by Secretary Ballinger and Attorney General Wickham to carry out Taft's Ballinger scheme of conservation.

Oremonies precedent to accepting the statue of General Lew Wallace, presented to the government by the state of Indiana, were held by the Senate today. A monument to be erected in Arlington National Cemetery to those who lost their lives in the Greely arctic expedition, was proposed by a bill introduced in the Senate by Mr. Aldrich (rep. Mich.) today.

In the hope of preventing a strike of the switchmen on the railroads entering Chicago the government mediators, Chairman Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and Commissioner of Labor Neill today began their investigation of the controversy. The representatives of the switchmen, who are asking for a readjustment of the wage scale of the union, were heard by the mediator this morning. Both Commissioner Knapp and Dr. Neill expressed the opinion before the conference began this morning that no developments could be expected from it today.

"We're going to get these damn anarchists before this session is over," thus Senator Brown, of Nebraska, one of the leading insurgents of the upper house today at the attitude of his faction as he left the White House after a conference with President Taft. "Who do you mean by anarchists?" Brown was asked. "I mean the 'regulars'—the Aldrich crew," he answered. Senator Brown is confident that the insurgents will win their fight at this session of Congress. He was not brought up today, apparently, but would not discuss his talk with President Taft, saying they had talked over private matters.

The president today sent to the Senate the nomination of General Col. Walter Hove, coast artillery corps, from January 11. The Minnesota and Wisconsin delegations in the House today elected regular republicans as members of the Congressional election committee. Minnesota elected James A. Towner and Wisconsin elected Mr. Davidson. Iowa has elected Mr. Woods, an insurgent, and Kansas has elected Mr. Madison, an insurgent. Nebraska elected Mr. E. H. Bush. This makes three almost pure insurgents as members of the Congressional campaign committee.

Would-be Murderers.

Willows, Calif., Jan. 12.—According to a story told today by members of the Bolton family, Miss Alma Bell, who was recently acquitted of the murder of Joe Ames, her husband, at Auburn, Calif., suddenly went insane Sunday and attempted to kill Bolton's young son with a revolver. She was disarmed. Later a stranger named Birch is said to have visited Miss Bell and talked with her until 3:30 o'clock in the morning. The same day, before the members of the family had arisen, the stranger returned and had a long talk with the girl. When the man was gone, it is charged that Miss Bell secured a repeating rifle and sought to kill the entire family. Again she was disarmed.

Life savers are today searching between Sheep Island and the Irish coast for possible survivors of an unknown vessel which sank yesterday. It is believed that all on board were drowned.

Ten residents of Horia, a small town four miles from Barcelona, Spain, were today sentenced to death for participation in the recent revolutionary plot.

Virginia News.

Mr. R. C. L. Moncreux has secured from the legislature the appointment of Mr. Henry T. Garrett, of King George county, for clerkship to one of the committees of the House of Delegates.

Miss Lou M. Cain, for many years keeper of the toll gate at the eastern entrance to Berryville, died yesterday, aged seventy-two years. One sister, Miss Sallie Cain, survives. Miss Cain enjoyed a wide acquaintance.

Mr. Gilbert Mason Brown, one of the proprietors of the Brown Milling Company, of Charlottesville, died Monday night at the University Hospital, where he was operated on Saturday night for kidney trouble. Mr. Brown was born in Rappahannock county.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Mitchell Foster, daughter of Captain James William Foster, to Thomas Francis Green, of Richmond, was celebrated very quietly last evening in St. James Church, Leesburg. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Rev. Robert A. Gibson, assisted by Rev. W. H. Burkhardt, rector of St. James.

The nomination of Royall E. Cabell, of Virginia, as commissioner of internal revenue has been indefinitely laid aside by the Senate committee on finance, because, it is said, he has asserted his independence of congressmen and has objected to congressional interference in the matter of the appointment of subordinates in his department.

The unique experience of being married in a snowdrift belongs to Thomas S. Slickley, a prominent young farmer, and Miss Florence Merkle, of Newmarket. Mr. Slickley and his bride-to-be started to drive to a minister's house in Mount Jackson. Snowdrift after snowdrift was encountered. The horses became exhausted and the vehicle finally came to a stop in a first foot drift. Leaving Miss Merkle, Slickley made his way on foot to the home of Rev. Henry Ditzler, who returned and married the couple in the drift on the road.

Sixty-first Congress.

(Second Session.)

Washington, Jan. 12, SENATE.

The 15th session of the International Congress on Hygiene and Demography was postponed until 1911 by a resolution passed in the Senate today. It was scheduled for this year, but the work of preparation could not be completed in time. Another resolution adopted authorized the president to invite the governor of each state to appoint a committee of five to assist in making arrangements.

The resolution for investigation of the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy was sent back to the Senate with notice of disagreement by the House.

The Senate appointed as its conferees on the Ballinger investigation resolution Nelson (rep. Minn.), Clark (rep. Wyo.), and McEnery (dem., La.).

The adjustment of postmaster's salaries between 1864 and 1874 caused a long wrangle in the Senate today. Nearly every senator at one time or another has introduced a resolution instructing the secretary of the treasury to audit and report the amount due the postmasters among his constituents. Some of these resolutions were referred to the postoffice committee, some are on the table and a few were adopted. Further consideration went over until tomorrow.

The Immigration Commission report on occupations of immigrants was presented.

HOUSE.

By unanimous consent, the House passed a motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the Ballinger investigation resolution. Messrs. Dalzell, Smith (rep. Iowa), and Fitzgerald (dem., N. Y.), the House conferees.

The Ballinger-Pinchot controversy was sent to conference.

Speaker Cannon, in announcing the conferees stated that if Mr. Champ Clark were in the city he would appoint him. That the Polindex amendment allowing witnesses to be represented by counsel, which was struck out in the Senate, will be the subject of debate, was indicated by the alertness of Mr. Underwood who would not consent to sending the resolution to conference until Mr. Dalzell agreed that the House should have the right to debate this proposition when the bill comes from conference.

The insurgents are not satisfied with the speaker's conference and say today that they will be on hand with votes to override the conference report if that is not satisfactory with them. Mr. Dalzell is known as the speaker's mouthpiece. Mr. Smith defended Mr. Ballinger on the floor when the resolution was up in the House, and Mr. Fitzgerald is the leader of the Cannon democrats.

Debate on the white slave bill was resumed.

China Rejects Knox's Plan?

Peking, Jan. 12.—It is reported here today that the Chinese board has rejected the plan of Secretary Knox for the neutralization of the Manchurian railways and that the decision has been communicated to the Japanese and Russian ministers.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—The chances of success of Secretary Knox's plan for the neutralization of the Manchurian railways received a decided boost today by the agreement in the plan of the German government. A favorable reply to Secretary Knox's proposal was today dispatched to Washington. It is set forth in the reply that there is nothing in the proposal that is inconsistent with the open door policy and equal opportunities to all nations, which has been the basis of the German policy in the far east. Germany's acceptance of the plan is expected to have a good influence in Japan, especially as England, Japan's ally, has indicated her agreement in the plan.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The foreign office announced today that it had received Japan's and Russia refusal to agree to Secretary Knox's proposal for the neutralization of the Manchurian railways. France will therefore follow the same course, in conformity with her statements of yesterday that she would do nothing in opposition to the wishes of Russia, her ally, and would try to avoid a course offensive to Japan.

News tending to confirm the reported death of King Menelik was received in Paris today. The report says that death occurred on December 23.

Charles Head, senior member of the New York stock exchange firm of Charles Head & Co., dropped dead as he entered his office in the Mills building today. Apoplexy caused death.

Today's Telegraphic News

The Virginia Legislature.
Richmond, Va., Jan. 12.—In the Senate Mr. Gravatt secured the adoption of a motion to rigidly enforce a rule to exclude during the sessions the presence of others than members from the door (in view of past happenings).

Mr. Noel, republican, sought vainly to get a majority representation on the finance committee in the House.

Mr. Cox, of Richmond, introduced a bill to tax express companies \$30 a mile on the mileage covered by their cars in Virginia.

Speaker Byrd unexpectedly named the House committee, and these will get to work at once. Heretofore the committees have not been announced less than a week from the date of assembling.

Governor Swannson's Message.
Richmond, Jan. 12.—Governor Swannson sent his last message to the legislature when that body convened today. In his introductory paragraph the governor says:

"The last two General Assemblies have been noted for the many progressive policies inaugurated. These extended through a wide range of governmental effort and development. The results achieved have fully vindicated the wisdom of these policies and amply justified the expenditure of public money made. The splendid public school buildings now adorning every section; the increased health and comfort of the people; the great improvement in agriculture and the varied industries of the state; the increased efficiency of the state militia; the marked improvement in the condition of jails, almshouses and other eleemosynary institutions; the greatly increased value of all properties, bear testimony to the stimulating influence of these wise acts of legislation and of the great and manifold benefits they have brought." While other parts of our country, during the last two years, have suffered from financial depression and distress, yet within this state such conditions have not prevailed. This is clearly evinced by the fact that the state's revenues during the last two years have exceeded those of the two previous years by \$16,690,100. As there has been practically no increase in the rate of taxation, this greatly increased revenue could only have been derived from increased business activity and enterprise. Eloquently and conclusively this proclaims the material progress and prosperity of the state. Though not required until this year, under the terms of her settlement, to retire any part of the principal of her indebtedness, she has wisely purchased \$4,838,065.11 of this principal; thus more than one-sixth of the debt has been cancelled."

The governor reviews the public school system, road improvements, etc., and urges the continuance of such systems as have proven satisfactory to the people of the commonwealth.

He again recommends the enactment of laws providing for the examination and regulation of state banks, urges the equalization of taxation, a well equipped state accounting department and makes certain recommendations for the further development of agriculture in the Old Dominion. He also favors agricultural schools.

The governor recommends the imposition of a reasonable annual license tax upon automobiles operating in this state. He believes the present license tax of two dollars for each automobile is not annual but perpetual, and it is grossly inadequate. It scarcely meets the expenses incurred in the execution of the law. He says a fair license tax should be imposed and the amount collected be devoted to road improvement, under a just and equitable system.

The remainder of the message consists of practical suggestions concerning all departments of the state government. All the governor's recommendations show careful and thoughtful consideration and reflection, all of which he believes would be promotive of the best interest of the state and largely contribute to her continued material, educational and moral advance.

Six Men Killed.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 12.—The six men who were seriously burned in the gas explosion that killed six others and wrecked a new shaft in the Nottingham Colliery of the L-high and Wilkesbarre Coal Company, at Plymouth, last night, are reported today to be on the way to complete recovery. They were slaking the shaft several hundred feet below the surface in the Red Ash vein when they broke open a gas pocket and the vapor ignited from a naked lamp in the hand of one of the men. David B. Roberts, the engineer in charge of the work, was one of the men killed. The others were laborers.

The Sugar Trust.

Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 12.—The board of directors of the sugar trust officially declared today that there is no "man higher up" in connection with the sugar trusts. They also declared that they have done everything possible to aid the government in its probing of the under-weighing scandal and the result was a vote of confidence by the shareholders who attended the annual meeting of the company in this city.

Threatened Strike.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The electricians of Paris decided today to inaugurate a strike on January 23 unless "King" Patand, the discharged secretary of the electricians union, is re-instated. Patand was discharged on account of his action in temporarily cutting off the lights at the Opera House during a recent performance in honor of King Manuel of Portugal.

The Elopers.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Detectives from Philadelphia arrived in Chicago this morning and will leave at noon today for Philadelphia with Roberts, the eloping heiress to millions, and Frederick Cohen, the hotel waiter. Cohen has waived his rights to resist extradition and an order for the custody of both of the elopers has been given to detectives Scanlon and Emanuel, of the Quaker City police department.

Miss Morgan Declines.

New York, Jan. 12.—Miss Annie Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, today declined to aid in the proposed by Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont and others to open a shirtwaist factory under model conditions, in which shall be employed the striking shirtwaist makers of New York.

City Council.

The proceedings of the City Council last night were in the main of a general nature. Five school trustees were elected by a joint meeting of the Board of Aldermen and Common Council.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

President Curtin informed the board that he was unable to attend the recent meeting of the Virginia Municipalities in Richmond.

Mr. Ballinger, who had been appointed to represent the Aldermen at the meeting, made a verbal report and read the printed proceedings of the meeting. He also submitted the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen, Common Council concurring, endorse the action of the committee appointed to attend the convention of Virginia Municipalities, and request our representatives in the State Legislature to use every effort to have the attached resolutions favorably acted upon.

The Common Council returned the resolution, that board having referred it to the committee on general laws.

The Aldermen receded from their action and concurred in that of the lower board.

The action of the Common Council on most of the papers sent in caused no discussion. Questions, however, were propounded on some of them.

Several members could not understand why it would be necessary to spend \$100 to place electrical appliances in the steeple of the City Hall, the lower board having appropriated that sum for the purpose, or as much thereof as may be needed, but when a vote was taken all the members save Mr. Summers voted to concur in the action of the Common Council.

An ordinance regulating the speed of automobiles, etc., in the streets of the city, passed by the Aldermen at the last meeting, was returned by the Common Council amended by substituting eight miles an hour instead of twelve.

After some interchange of opinions, in which all members participated, Mr. Hill moved that the Aldermen non-concur in the action of the lower board. This motion was adopted and Messrs. Hill and Ballinger were appointed on the part of this board.

The committee subsequently reported that they were unable to agree, but that they had had their attention called to the fact that the city code provided for the rate of speed of vehicles in Alexandria, and on motion the ordinance was laid on the table.

The Aldermen subsequently repaired to the chamber of the Common Council for the purpose of participating in the election of school trustees, and upon their return adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Council was called to order at 8 o'clock with ten members present, a majority of the members being present. The minutes of last meeting, December 14, were read.

The finance committee reported an additional appropriation of \$600 for repairing streets and this was adopted.

The ordinance regulating the speed of motor vehicles on the streets of Alexandria came in from the Aldermen and after amendment was adopted. As passed the ordinance provides that no motor vehicle shall move at a speed exceeding 8 miles per hour and 4 miles when turning corners; and providing penalties for its violation. There was some discussion as to the speed allowed. Messrs. Snowden, Burke and Lord, members favoring 8 miles and Messrs. Brumback and Harrison favoring 12 miles per hour.

Twenty butchers and butchers of the city market asked that storm doors be placed at three of the openings of the market building and the petition was referred to the committee on public property.

A petition was received from Messrs. Laurence Stabler, Harrie White and John Lloyd asking that an ordinance be enacted providing for the inspection of electrical wiring and installation. The signers of the petition set forth that the only inspection is by the Underwriters' Association. It was set forth that such an inspection could be made without cost to the city. The matter was referred to the joint committee on streets and general laws.

A resolution appropriating \$100 for the installation of electric lights in the clock tower of the city hall was introduced by Mr. Marshall who stated that he had just heard from the clock company which was now repairing the city clock, saying the clock would in all probability be finished in two weeks; that the outside work on the tower had been delayed by the weather, the workmen being unwilling to work until the temperature becomes milder. He stated that the electricity would be furnished free by the electric company and asked that the appropriation be made and this was done.

A resolution appropriating \$375 for certain repairs at the poor house was presented by Mr. Marshall. On presenting this Mr. Marshall gave a description of the improvements already made at the almshouse and said the work for which this amount was asked would not be done until spring. This was referred to the committee on public property, poor and finance.

A resolution endorsing the action of the Council committee that attended the conference for the municipal reform of Virginia cities came in from the Aldermen, having been passed by that board.

At this point Messrs. Hill and Ballinger appeared from the Aldermen and stated that that body had non-concurred in the action of the Common Council on the ordinance regulating the speed of motor vehicles and asked for a conference. This was granted and Messrs. Usher and Burke were appointed on the part of this board.

Mr. Smith then explained the action of the municipal reform convention recently held in Richmond and read a number of the resolutions passed by that convention.

Mr. Marshall also spoke favorably of the action of that convention.

Several of the other members thought some time should be taken to consider the matter and on motion of Mr. Hill the resolution was referred to the committee on general laws.

The Aldermen were invited to a joint session for the election of school trustees.

Mr. Curtin called the joint meeting to order and announced the object of the joint meeting. The clerk stated that those whose places were to be filled were C. R. Yates from the first ward, G. Wm. Ramsey from the second, W. F. Carne from the third, W. B. Smoot from the fourth; also Dr. Wm. M. Smith

DRY GOODS.

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New Cretonnes, Art Tickings, Printed Scrims, Silklines and Other Materials.

We have just received and placed on sale our first shipment of spring designs of Cretonnes, Art Tickings, Printed Scrims, Silklines, and other drapery materials. All are new, fresh, crisp goods, in the very latest designs and effects, and especially desirable for bed and dining-room draperies, also for covering furniture, etc.

Fancy Art Tickings, 36 inches wide, 30c a yard.
Tulle and Scoria Cloth, 36 inches wide, 35c a yard.
Cretonnes and Savori Reps, 32 and 36 inches wide, 20c and 25c a yard.
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Imported Cretonnes, 31 inches wide; 35c, 50c, and 60c a yard. Values, 60c to \$1.00.
Silklines, in large assortment, 36 inches wide, 12c a yard.
Printed Scrim and Arabian Cloth, 40 inches wide, 20c and 35c a yard. Plain and Fancy Fish Nets, 25c to 30c a yard.

who had moved from the fourth ward. O. R. Yates was elected from the first ward, G. Wm. Ramsey from the second, Dr. Wm. M. Smith from the third, and W. B. Smoot and Frank Myers from the fourth, by unanimous votes. The joint session then dissolved.

The conference committee on the speed ordinance could not agree and the matter was left unacted upon.

Mr. Marshall gave notice that at some future meeting he would move that the council become a member of the League of Virginia Municipalities as he believed that many advantages would accrue from this action.

Council then adjourned.

Official.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held January 11, 1910, there were present: J. R. N. Curtin, esq., President, and Messrs. Hill, Brill, Marbury, Ballenger, Field, Fitzgerald and Summers.

The president stated that he was unable to attend the recent meeting of the Virginia Municipalities in Richmond.

Mr. Ballenger, who had been appointed to represent the Board of Aldermen at the meeting referred to, read resolutions which had been adopted by the association, and made other statements concerning the proceedings.

Mr. Ballenger introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen, the Common Council concurring, endorse the action of the committee appointed to attend the convention of Virginia Municipalities and request our representatives in the state legislature to use every effort to have the attached resolutions favorably acted upon.

The Common Council concurred in the resolution, that board non-concurring in the action of the Aldermen and referring the resolution to the Committee on General Laws. The Aldermen receded from their action and concurred in that of the Common Council.

An ordinance to regulate the running of automobiles, motorcycles and other vehicles and conveyances whose motive power is other than animal, and motor bicycles and tri-cycles along or over any street or alley in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, passed by this board December 14, 1909, was returned by the Common Council amended by making the speed permitted eight miles an hour instead of twelve.

On motion of Mr. Hill the action of the Common Council was non-concurred in and Messrs. Hill and Ballenger were appointed a committee of conference.

The conference committee reported that they were unable to agree, also that the city code contained all the law that was necessary covering the speed of vehicles, and on motion the ordinance was laid on the table.

A resolution appropriating \$200 for the purpose of installing electric lights in the clock tower of the market building was received from the Common Council and their action concurred in by the following vote: Ayes, Messrs. Hill, Brill, Marbury, Ballenger, Field, Fitzgerald and Mr. President—7. No, Mr. Summers—1.

The following were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in by unanimous vote:

Report of the Finance Committee appropriating \$500 for repair of streets, E. F. Price, Auditor, having at the last meeting sent a communication to Council announcing the execution of the appropriation for that purpose.

Resolution appropriating \$375 for fencing and cement washing at the almshouse.

On motion of Mr. Marshall the city market for storm doors at certain entrances.

Petition of certain citizens for the passage of an ordinance providing for the inspection of electrical wiring and installation of electrical equipment in Alexandria.

The Aldermen proceeded to the chamber of the Common Council for the purpose of participating in the election of school trustees, and upon their return adjourned.

J. R. N. CURTIN, President.
LUTHER H. THOMPSON, Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the city of Alexandria, Va., held January 11, 1910, there were present: Hubert Snowden, esq., president and Messrs. Brumback, Burke, Ballenger, Brumback, Leadenberger, Burke, Birrell, Monroe, Hellmuth, Harrison, Usher, Marshall, Spinks and Evans.

The Finance Committee recommended an additional appropriation of \$200 for repairing streets and the report was adopted—ayes 14, nays 0.

A resolution appropriating \$100 to install electric lights in the clock tower of the city hall was introduced by Mr. Marshall and passed—ayes 14, nays 0.

An ordinance to regulate the running of automobiles, motorcycles and other vehicles and conveyances whose motive power is other than animal, and motor bicycles and tri-cycles along or over any street or alley was called from the table and read the second time. A motion by Mr. Snowden to amend the ordinance by striking the "twelve" and insert "eight miles an hour" was adopted. The ordinance as amended was read the third time and passed—ayes 14, nays 0. A committee from the Board of Aldermen, consisting of Messrs. Hill, Ballenger, Usher and Burke, was appointed to confer with the committee of conference, and Messrs. Usher and Burke were appointed.

The committee later returned without an agreement.

A communication from Messrs. J. H. Lloyd, Laurence Stabler and H. White requesting the enactment of a law for the inspection of wiring and installation of electrical appliances in the city, was received and referred to the joint Committee on Streets and General Laws.

A petition from the butchers and hucksters of the city market requesting that storm doors be placed at the entrances was received and referred to the Committee on Public Property.

A resolution appropriating \$375 for fencing, cement washing and other repairs at the Almshouse was read by Mr. Marshall and referred to the joint Committee on Public Property and Finance.

A resolution endorsing the action of the committee appointed to attend the Convention of Virginia Municipalities, and requesting the State Legislature to adopt attached resolutions, was received from the Board of Aldermen, their action non-concurred in and the matter referred to the Committee on General Laws.

Upon motion the Board of Aldermen concurred in joint session to all vacancies on the

City School Board. The following nominations were made: C. R. Yates, First ward; G. Wm. Ramsey, Second ward; Dr. Wm. M. Smith, Third ward; W. B. Smoot and J. Frank Myers, Fourth ward. There being no further nominations all of the above were unanimously elected by the following vote: Messrs. Leadenberger, Burke, Snowden, Birrell, Smith, Brumback, Brill, Bader, Birrell, Monroe, Hellmuth, Harrison, Thier, Marshall, Spinks, Evans, Hill, Marbury, Ballenger, J. Brill, Curtin, Fitzgerald, Summers (23).

The joint session then dissolved and the board adjourned.

HUBERT SNOWDEN, President.
DANIEL B. STANBURY, Clerk C. C.

Betting on Election.

London, Jan. 12.—Betting on the Stock Exchange today is 8 to 2 on the liberals, a shift from five to four on the conservatives within the last five days. Before the beginning of the voting on Saturday, it is predicted the odds will be 2 to 1 on the liberals. The odds are now the same as those that marked the early stages of the campaign and indicate that the liberals have fully recovered from the scare that was in evidence the latter part of last week as a result of the whirlwind campaign that the peers engaged in.

Death of an Editor.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 12.—General Rufus N. Rhodes, editor of the Birmingham News, and one of the best known newspaper publishers in the south, died here today of Bright's disease. General Rhodes was born in Pascagoula, Miss., June 6, 1856. He was second vice-president and a director of the Associated Press and a brigadier general in the Alabama National Guard.

Killed by Explosion.

Franklin, Pa., Jan. 12.—Three men were killed and a team of horses blown to bits when the nitro glycerine magazine of August Pease, at Braddock Ferry near here, blew up today. A house across the Allegheny river from the magazine was totally destroyed by the force of the explosion.

DRY GOODS.

Great Crowds Attend Our

January Clearance

Every department in our store has added its quota of bargains to make this a memorable occasion.

\$1.69 FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS \$1.19

Of splendid quality flannelette, in gray, navy and black; made with Hubbard yoke, tailor bands; full cut skirt, finished with deep flange; all sizes up to 44. Regular \$1.69 value. Special.

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